UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 1:19-cr-10080-NMG

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GREGORY COLBURN, et al.,

Defendants.

DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE MOTION EX PARTE AND UNDER SEAL

Defendants Elisabeth Kimmel, Gamal Abdelaziz, and John Wilson ("Defendants") respectfully move this Court for leave to file a motion *ex parte* and under seal ("Submission").

As grounds for the motion, Defendants state that they request to file the Submission *ex parte* and under seal because it relates to a motion to compel compliance with an *ex parte* and under seal Rule 17(c) subpoena, the subject matter of which would reveal confidential trial strategy to the government. *See United States v. Diamont*, Case No. 1:05-cr-10154, ECF No. 33, slip op. at 5 (D. Mass. Nov. 22, 2005) (Dien, M.J.) ("[E]x parte proceedings are available under Rule 17(c) both based on the language of the Rule and for policy reasons.").

WHEREFORE, Defendants respectfully request that their motion to file the Submission *ex parte* and under seal be GRANTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL RULE 7.1

I, Cory S. Flashner, hereby certify that counsel for Defendants did not confer with counsel for the government regarding this motion as the underlying Submission would be made *ex parte* and under seal.

/s/ Cory S. Flashner
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Cory S. Flashner, hereby certify that on October 13, 2020, I filed the foregoing with the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts using the CM/ECF system and caused it to be served on all registered participants via the notice of electronic filing.

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